

Caladium

Caladium 'Fannie Munson'

Caladium 'Tapestry'

Caladiums are tropical foliage plants, with multicolored leaves. They are easy to grow in Florida's warm, humid climate and will provide beautiful color throughout spring, summer, and fall. Scientifically known as *Caladium x hortulanum*, caladiums are part of the arum family of plants. The color combinations for this plant include white, pink, rose, red, burgundy, chartreuse, and green. Over 75 cultivars are sold commercially and the variety among these is spectacular. Cultivars are broadly separated into two main categories: fancy and lance-leafed. Fancy-leafed cultivars have large heart-shaped leaves. Lance-leafed cultivars have narrow, elongated leaves. Fannie Munson and Tapestry are a fancy-leaf caladiums.

Type: perennial; ground cover; herbaceous

Uses: container or above-ground planter; ground cover; edging; border; accent; suitable for growing indoors

USDA hardiness zones: 9-11

Origin: not native to North America

Height: 1 to 2 feet **Spread:** 1 to 2 feet

Plant spacing: 8 to 12 inches apart

Light requirement: partial shade to full shade

Soil tolerances: moderately moist soil

Drought tolerance: can tolerate short periods of drought

Soil salt tolerances: poor

Invasive potential: not invasive

Pest resistance: deer and rabbit resistant

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